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The Honorable Marion C. Blakey Administrator Federal Aviation Administration 800 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20591

Dear Administrator Blakey:

I am writing to express concerns with respect to the Integrated Airspace Alternative (IAA) being developed by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

As you know, Fairfield County in southwestern Connecticut is affected by the IAA. More specifically, the Towns of Greenwich and New Canaan, and the City of Stamford, are directly affected by proposed arrival and departure routes serving Kennedy and LaGuardia Airports.

I have been contacted by many of my constituents who have expressed serious concerns about the IAA and its development. These concerns have primarily stemmed from FAA's inadequate responses to questions posed about the number of projected flights, the altitude of projected flights, the frequency of projected flights, and the noise of projected flights over Connecticut. Furthermore, concerns have been raised over how the IAA flight patterns will interact with flight patters of smaller aircraft utilizing regional airports such as White Plains Westchester County Airport.

I am concerned that these questions have yet to be addressed satisfactorily by the FAA. These questions raise issues that are central to the quality of life of my constituents in these communities. If they remain partially or inadequately answered, my constituents are deprived from offering informed public comment on the overall IAA proposal. It is my hope that the FAA will provide all relevant flight information under the IAA to affected parties as soon as possible.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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United States Senator